

# HOUSE . . . . . No. 3298

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## The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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PRESENTED BY:

**John F. Quinn**  
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*To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:*

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act relating to the requirements of approval for certain lands formerly appurtenant to railroad right of ways.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

John F. Quinn

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

9th Bristol

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION  
SEE HOUSE, NO. 3609 OF 2007-2008.]

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**In the Year Two Thousand and Nine**

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### **AN ACT RELATING TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF APPROVAL FOR CERTAIN LANDS FORMERLY APPURTENANT TO RAILROAD RIGHT OF WAYS.**

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority  
of the same, as follows:*

1 SECTION 1. Section 54A of chapter 40 of the General Laws is hereby amended by adding the following  
2 paragraph:-

3 This section shall not apply to any such lands, or property appurtenant thereto, sold by a railroad company to  
4 a person other than another railroad company, if the deed evidencing such sale was recorded or filed for registration  
5 at least fifty years prior to the date on which an application for any permit to build a structure of any kind on the  
6 property is filed.

7 SECTION 2. This Act shall apply to deeds executed and recorded on, after and prior to its effective date.